fishery and agriculture sectors, immediate construction of temporary (intermediate) shelters and repair/restoration of infrastructure. This package provides Rs. 2347.19 crore to Tamil Nadu, Rs. 70.00 crore to Andhra Pradesh, Rs. 249.36 crore to Kerala, Rs. 155.62 crore to Pondicherry and Rs. 821.88 crore to Andaman & Nicobar Islands.

(c) The Government of India have set up a Core Group on Reconstruction, Management and Monitoring for Tsunami affected areas in the Planning Commission. The Core Group has prepared a comprehensive plan for rehabilitation of persons in the Tsunami affected States/UTs, which *inter-alia* includes construction of the housing units. The complete package will be announced after the recommendations of the Core Group are approved by the Government.

Recruitment racket

4404. SHRIMATI HEMA MALINI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that a racket of recruitment in Army and Para-Military Forces on the basis of alleged forged documents have been unearthed/detected; and

(b) if so, what action Government propose to take against the persons involved in the racket?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) A few cases of persons attempting to gain employment in Army & Central Police Forces on the basis of forged documents have come to light.

(b) Besides administrative action, appropriate legal action against the concerned persons has been taken by lodging FIRs with Civil Police under relevant Sections of Indian Penal Code.

Misuse of psychotropic pharmaceuticals by youth

4405. SHRI MOTILAL VORA:
SHRI T.T.V. DHINAKARAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that youth have been misusing certain psychotropic pharmaceuticals in the recent times;

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government to prevent such abuse of pharmaceuticals; and

(c) which agency is engaged in surveillance of these incidents?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) Abuse of certain pharmaceuticals has been noticed in various sections of the society including youth.

(b) The government have taken the following steps to prevent abuse of pharmaceuticals:-

(i) Interaction with the Pharma manufacturers, distributors and retailers to sensitise them about the problem.

(ii) Investigations into diversion of pharmaceuticals capable of being abused.

(iii) Arrest and prosecution of people involed in diversion and illicit distribution of such pharmaceuticals;

(iv) Sensitization of various law enforcement agencies involved in drug law enforcement about the misuse of pharmaceuticals;

(v) Coordination with Drug Controller General of India.

(c) Powers to control manufacture, sale and distribution of psychotropic pharmaceuticals is vested in the Drug Controller General of India under the Ministry of Health. The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment undertakes surveys to assess drug abuse in the country. Narcotics Control Bureau and various Central and State agencies also maintain surveillance to prevent the misuse of psychotropic pharmaceuticals.

Raising of new froce ATPSF

4406. SHRIMATI SUKHBUNS KAUR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the two oil majors and other Public Sector Undertakings operating in Assam have offered to raise funds for a new security force in